

TOWN OF ACUSHNET

Acushnet Historical Commission Town Hall 122 Main Street Acushnet, MA 02743

Meeting Minutes: December 12, 2017 - Pauline Teixeira Presiding

Present: Robert Gilmore, Robert Hall, and Eric Whitlock

Motion to open Meeting at 6:30 pm: Robert Gilmore, 2nd Robert Hall

Roll call commenced for the general audience.

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OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Pauline has received a copy of the electric bill for work already completed at the Perry Hill Church (PHC) in the amount of \$4260.00. She will also be checking to see that the initial electrical inspection certificate has been received and placed on site.
- 2. This Holiday Season, battery operated candles were placed in the PHC windows enhancing it.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Pauline checked with Fairhaven Lumber to acquire prices for both new corner and facia boards needed at the Museum (LPM) and shutters for the Museum. Originally it was thought to need (1" x 5") boards, but upon a field inspection, it turned out to be requiring (1" x 8") boards. This change will have to be brought back to the Town officials for their input.
- 2. A grant will have to be sent out before March 2018 for any additional grant funding.

- 3. The existing fence at the Museum can't be re-installed because when it was removed it was placed at the back of the property and is now a jumble of wire. New fencing is out of the question, at this time, as there is no funding in that account.
- 4. The Historic Commission (HC) Account budgeted for year 2018 is \$5,800.00.
- 5. The Commission will be checking with Mr. John Remedis as to whether or not a "Swap Meet" should be held at the same time that as the proposed "Car Show"? Will there be a nominal fee for each event or should it be just a donation?
- 6. In the event that a handicap ramp is installed at the Quaker Meeting House, is it possible that either future Eagle Scout(s) or local Vocational school(s) be approached to build this ramp?
- 7. To further display the existing PHC with it's winter lighting, can a photo or two be taken and placed on the Town website so that the more of the general public in the surrounding areas see it?

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- 1. Notification has been received that possibly as early as 2019, Hamlin Street will be both rewidened for 700 feet and both bridges will be replaced, in the vicinity of "White's Factory" (WF) with no impact to the WF factory. A statement in the notification received states that the waterway culvert to the factory will be abandoned and filled in, leaving only the Acushnet River culvert active. Since the factory will not be impacted as the letter states, why is the culvert being removed and not left open to the flow of water, in case future historical work is done at WH?
- 2. Since the HC and the Town are looking for potential use from the PHC, is it possible the that a notification be placed on both the Town website and in local papers asking for the general public's input, as to what they might think the PHC can be used?

Motion to adjourn: Eric Whitlock

Seconded: Robert Hall

Meeting Adjourned: 7:25PM Next Meeting: February 2018 (to be determined)

Recording Secretary: D. Eric Whitlock

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